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MINUTES
OF THE
STATE CONVENTION

OF THE
BAPTIST DENOMINATION

IN
SOUTH CAROLINA,

AT ITS NINETEENTH ANNIVERSARY, HELD AT THE BLACK SWAMP
CHURCH, BEAUFORT DISTRICT, DECEMBER 7th, AND CONTINUED
TO DECEMBER 10th, 1839.

The Brethren who were appointed to perform the introductory service being absent, N. W. Hodges preached from Eph. iv. 30.

The credentials of delegates were presented, and the following enrolled, viz:

Charleston Association.—T. Adams, J. Scott, †C. M. Breaker, †N. Graham, †W. H. Peebles, D. Sheppard, J. L. Reynolds, †A. Scarborough, †C. Entzminger, †W. V. Dunn, †J. Voght, J. S. Antley, †W. E. Hughson, †W. Sanders, J. Du Pre.

Edgefield Association.—W. B. Johnson, J. M. Chiles, †M. Mims, †J. Anderson, †W. P. Hill, †Z. Watkins, †M. M. Abney, †L. Rudolph, †L. Devore, D. D. Brunson.

Savannah River Association.—H. D. Duncan, A. J. Lawton, J. Rhodes, R. Fuller, R. G. Lawrence, I. Nicholes, Jr. J. A. Lawton, †L. M. Brown, W. I. Harley, †W. Fripp, †J. J. Wilson, W. A. Lawton, J. T. Sweat, †R. J. Davant, †E. Estes.

Welsh Neck Association.—R. Furman, A. E. McIver, †M. N. Stricklin, †N. W. Rowel, J. O. B. Dargan, †E. Hicks, †S. Dargan, †J. C. Furman, †J. T. Wilson, †I. D. Wilson, R. G. Edwards.

Edisto Association.—W. Brooker, †J. G. O. Wilkinson, J. Brook-

†Absent.

er, †W. L. Tucker, †H. A. Williams, †W. H. Geiger, W. Fort, †B. M. Ware.

Charleston Juvenile Female Missionary and Education Society.

—†C. H. Lanneau, W. E. Bailey.

Mount Moriah Female Missionary and Benevolent Society.—

Newberry Baptist Church.—

Bush River Baptist Church.—

Anderson District Missionary Society.—W. Magee, A. Rice, †A. Acker, †M. Gambell.

Peniel Missionary Society.—A. Rice.

Shiloh Baptist Church.—

New Hope Baptist Church.—

Monticello Female Benevolent Society.—J. Davis.

Fairfield Baptist Church.—N. W. Hodges, W. Hooper.

Tiger River Baptist Association.—S. Gibson, †A. M. Spaulding, †J. M. Roberts, †J. G. Laudrum, †H. J. Dean.

Silverton Female Missionary Society.—

Little River Church.—J. Davis, †W. Laiken.

Rocky Spring Church.—

Boiling Spring Baptist Camp Ground Missionary Society.—

1. Elected W. B. Johnson President, J. Davis Vice-President, and J. L. Reynolds Secretary.

2. A letter from the Buffalo Baptist Church, was presented by their delegate, Charles Broom. The church was received as a member of this body, and the delegate welcomed to a seat.

3. The Rules of Order were read by W. A. Lawton.

4. Received letters of correspondence from the Saluda Association, Twelve-Mile River Association, and the Georgia Baptist Convention; and a letter from the Sunbury Association, by their delegate, W. J. Dudley.

5. An invitation was extended to visiting Brethren to take seats, and aid with their counsel, and the following responded to the invitation: Ira M. Allen, agent of the American and Foreign Bible Society, H. A. Duncan, J. B. Breed, George Kempton.

6. Appointed Br. Du Pre to write to the Saluda Association, and W. B. Johnson, S. Gibson and T. Adams, messengers. To the Georgia Convention, H. A. Duncan to write the letter, and Chiles, Rice and Magee, messengers. To the Twelve Mile River Association, J. O. B. Dargan to write the letter, and Rice, Magee and Gibson, messengers. To the Sunbury Association, J. A. Lawton to write the letter, and W. A. Lawton, H. D. Duncan and J. A. Lawton, messengers.

7. The President announced the following Committees, viz:

On arrangement for Preaching.—H. D. Duncan, Rice, Fort, with the deacons of the church.

On Accounts.—Rhodes, Scott, Lawrence, Bailey, Harley.

On the place of Meeting, and persons to Preach.—Hodges, Adams, W. Brooker, J. O. B. Dargan, Gibson.

On communications from Corresponding Bodies.—Fuller, R. Furman, Du Pre, Magee, Chiles.

8. The President stated that he had expended \$10 in the purchase of books for Br. Blythe, as directed by the Convention.

9. Appointed J. Davis, I. Nicholes, Jr. Antley, Gibson, and Mc-Iver, a Committee to nominate suitable persons for the Board of Trustees, and the Board of Agents.

10. The Treasurer presented his report, and it was referred to the Committee on Accounts;

After prayer by Br. Davis, the Convention adjourned to meet on Monday at 11 o'clock.

Lord's Day.—The exercises of the day were introduced with a discourse by Br. W. B. Johnson, from John iii. 7, "Marvel not that I said unto thee, ye must be born again." Immediately afterward the annual charity sermon was delivered by Br. Hooper, from Acts ix. 6, "Lord, what wilt thou have me to do?"

In the afternoon a discourse preparatory to the Lord's Supper was delivered by Br. Fuller, from John xxi. 17, "He saith unto him the third time, Simon, son of Jonas, lovest thou me?" This ordinance was then administered by Brethren Gibson and H. D. Duncan.

11. *Monday, Dec. 9.*—Convention met at 11 o'clock. Prayer by J. L. Reynolds. The roll was called, and the minutes of the previous days read.

12. The following letters of correspondence were presented, read, and accepted, viz: the letter to the Saluda Association, by J. Du Pre; to the Georgia Convention, by H. A. Duncan; to the Twelve-Mile River Association, by J. O. B. Dargan; to the Sunbury Association, by J. A. Lawton.

13. The Committee on the place of Meeting reported as follows: That the next meeting of this body be held at the Sumterville Church, Sumter district, on Saturday before the 2d Lord's Day in December, 1840. J. C. Furman to preach the introductory sermon, and I. Nicholes, Jr. his alternate. A. Rice to preach the charity sermon, and J. O. B. Dargan his alternate. The report was concurred in.

14. Br. Fuller, from the Committee on Communications, presented the following report: "The Committee, to whom were referred the communications from corresponding bodies, report, that they find nothing calling for special notice, except the query from the Savannah River Association; and as to this, they think, that Association had better refer the query to a committee of their own body." Accepted and concurred in.

15. Br. R. Huckins, agent of the American Home Mission Society, was introduced to the body, and invited to a seat.

16. The Board of Trustees presented their report. It was accepted, and ordered to be printed with the minutes.

17. The Committee appointed, under the 9th article, reported the names of individuals to constitute the Board of Agents, and the

Board of Trustees. Their nomination was concurred in, and the names will appear in their proper place.

18. After a protracted and animated discussion on a part of the report of the Board of Trustees, relating to the Manual Labor School, a motion for adjournment prevailed. Br. Hooper prayed, and the Convention adjourned to meet at 10 o'clock on Tuesday.

Tuesday, Dec. 10.—Convention met. Prayer by Br. Bailey.

19. The Committee on Accounts presented their report. It was read and accepted.

20. The collection taken up on Lord's Day, was ordered to be equally divided between the Foreign Mission and the Fund for General Purposes.

21. The discussion on the report of the Board of Trustees was resumed. After much debate, it was *Resolved*, That the Trustees be authorized to continue the two branches of the Furman Institution, provided, that, with respect to the Classical School this can be done, without any increase of its present debt, and the interest at least of the present debt be paid; provided, also, that arrangements can be made with the present creditors to prevent any legal process being instituted, and that none of the funds of the Convention be diverted from their specified objects.

22. The Treasurer, Br. A. J. Lawton, stated that he had not succeeded, as well as he had anticipated, in securing renewals of the bonds which were destroyed in the burning of the Classical School. He was requested to continue his exertions.

23. Br. Huckins, who was on his way to Texas, to explore the country with reference to missionary operations, addressed the Convention on the subject of his mission; whereupon, on motion of Br. Fuller, it was unanimously *Resolved*, That this body rejoice to see among us our Brother, the Rev. James Huckins, and to learn that he is on his way to New Orleans and Texas, as a missionary. Our Brother is known to us, and is most highly esteemed as a holy and devoted servant of the Lord Jesus Christ, and we do most cheerfully and warmly recommend him to the confidence and fellowship of all christians, wherever he may go, and affectionately solicit for him their kind attentions, their prayers, and their co-operation. It was also *Resolved*, That the President enclose the resolution in a letter to Br. Huckins.

24. The report of Br. Mims, agent for the house and lot in the village of Edgefield, was read by the President. The report was adopted, and referred to the Treasurer.

25. Br. I. M. Allen, agent of the American and Foreign Bible Society, addressed the Convention: whereupon it was *Resolved*, That this Convention, as they have heretofore expressed themselves, are still the friends of that institution. They regret, however, to see that a table has been prefixed to the Scriptures published by that Society, with the translation of certain Greek words. They request that institution, in future publications, to add no such table, note, or comment of their own. They take pleasure in recommending Br. Allen to the churches in this connection, and would invite

attention to the *Christian Review*, a Baptist quarterly publica-
 for which he is also an agent, as an important work, worthy of
 patronage of the denomination.

Voted the publication of 1500 copies of the Minutes, and re-
 the direction of the printing to the Secretary.

The President informed the Convention that, in accordance
 their instructions at the last meeting, he had applied to the Le-
 gislature of the State for a renewal of the charter of incorporation
 of this body.

Voted, that the cordial thanks of this body be tendered to
 brethren and friends of this neighborhood, for their kind and
 Christian hospitalities.

After prayer by the President, the Convention adjourned.

W. B. JOHNSON, *President*.

L. REYNOLDS, *Secretary*.

REPORT OF ALEXANDER J. LAWTON, Treasurer of the Baptist State Convention, for December, 1839. PERMANENT FUND.

| | Principal. | Interest. |
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| Assets and notes unpaid by last report, | \$21,012 82 | \$2945 94 |
| Correct error in calculating int. on W. E. Bai- ley's bond, which draws 6 per ct. int. not shown to present Treasurer, | \$4 43 | |
| | Prin. | Int. |
| Royal paid Treas Bailey, | 50 00 | 10 50 |
| Committed to credit him, see Minutes 1837. | | |
| | Pr. | Int. |
| int. 1 yr. on \$50, | 3 50 | 50 14 |
| J. Gantt paid on his bond, | 41 00 | |
| Allen paid principal of his note, | 100 | 4250 00 |
| | | 18 43 |
| | | <hr/> 16,762 82 |
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| | Prin. | Int. |
| Patterson's bond was stated at | 172 97 | 12 11 |
| it should be, as renewed, | 161 66 | 20 95 |
| | <hr/> 11 31 | <hr/> add 8 84 |
| Deduct, | | |
| | | <hr/> 16,751 51 |
| | | 2930 35 |
| which, add M. T. Mendenhall's bond, obtained for 100 shares Charleston Insurance and Trust Company, sold him, | | 10,000 00 |
| ears int. on 25,668 64 at 7 per ct. | 1796 80 | |
| Do. 442 36 at 6 per ct. | 26 54 | |
| duities, | 20 00 | 1843 34 |
| | | <hr/> 26,751 51 |
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| on Bonds paid since last report, per statement, | | 912 29 |
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| Permanent Fund brought over, | | Principal. | Inter |
| | | \$26,751 51 | 3867 |
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| | Prin. | Int. | |
| Deduct B. R. Bostick's bond, which he and R. Fuller say is a mistake, | 100 00 | 28 00 | |
| C. C. Keith's bond paid former Treas. in 1837, but not de- ducted from bond ac't, | 25 00 | 7 50 | |
| Deduct int. 1 yr. on J. O. B. Dargan's bond, given not un- til winter of 1837, | | 3 50 | |
| Cash of Wm. Smith, full, | 50 00 | | |
| Cash of A. Scarborough, | 50 00 | | |
| Cash of Jonathan M. Miller, | 100 00 | | |
| | | 325 00 | 39 00 |
| Balance due, | | 26,426 51 | 3828 40 |

CASH.—PERMANENT FUND.

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| 1839, Dec. By cash on hand at last report, | 883 50 |
| By cash of T. J. Gantt, on bond, | 4100 00 |
| By cash of Ira Allen, in full for principal, | 100 00 |
| By cash of Mrs. Sarah Lowry, per Jennings O'Bannon, | 40 00 |
| By cash of S. H. Butler, last year, credited first to Theological Buildings, now corrected, | 10 00 |
| By cash of do. this year, | 10 00 |
| Making an addition to this fund of | 60 00 |
| By cash of Charleston Female Juvenile Missionary and Education Soc. for 2 years, increase of this fund, | 300 00 |
| By cash of William Smith, principal of bond, full, | 50 00 |
| By cash of A. Scarborough, do. full, | 50 00 |
| By cash of Jonathan M. Miller, do. full, | 100 00 |
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| Jan. 7, To cash paid Treasurer's note to Charleston In- surance and Trust Company, balance in full due it, | 4084 28 |
| Dec. To amount transferred to credit of account for General Purposes, which was carried to stock ac- count, and became a part of Permanent Fund in 1837, see minutes, | 722 41 |
| | 4806 69 |
| Balance in hand, | 836 90 |

PAYMENTS ON BONDS AND NOTES.

| | Prin. | Int. |
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| By cash of Thomas J. Gantt, | 4100 00 | |
| Jyra Allen, | 100 00 | |
| Jos. A. Lawton, | | 210 00 |

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| Wm. E. Bailey, | | 118 37 |
| A. E. Chovin, | | 31 50 |
| Pringle, | | 10 50 |
| Wheeler, | | 1 75 |
| Wm. Graham, | | 2 80 |
| Joseph Hazel, | | 42 00 |
| Wm. Wm. H. Robert, | | 13 00 |
| Muel Nicholson, | | 3 50 |
| Wm. Nicholson, | | 1 75 |
| Wm. Trapp, | | 1 75 |
| Z. Ardis, | | 14 00 |
| H. Colding, | | 3 50 |
| Jennings O'Bannon, | | 14 00 |
| H. Brown, | | 14 00 |
| A. E. Chovin, | | 10 50 |
| Wm. N. Robert, | | 7 00 |
| Wm. J. Lawton, | | 70 00 |
| Wm. A. Lawton, | | 70 00 |
| Charles M. Furman, | | 70 00 |
| Robert G. Norton, | | 7 00 |
| William Smith, two years, full, | 50 00 | 7 00 |
| James M. Chiles, | | 7 00 |
| D. Duncan, two years, | | 28 00 |
| C. B. Johnson, | | 28 00 |
| Wm. E. Simkins, | | 14 00 |
| L. Penn, | | 7 00 |
| T. Mims, | | 10 75 |
| Wm. Nicholson, | | 3 50 |
| Wm. Trapp, | | 1 75 |
| Joseph Phillips, 1 75. Interest, 0 12, | | 1 87 |
| O. B. Dargan, | | 3 50 |
| Scarborough, full, | 50 00 | 7 00 |
| James Du Pre, for 1839, towards 1840, 40 c. | | 6 00 |
| James L. Reynolds, three years, | | 42 00 |
| Wm. N. Robert, per W. E. Bailey, | | 7 00 |
| Nathan M. Miller, full, | 100 00 | 21 00 |
| Classical Department, on money loaned it, | | 245 00 |
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INCREASE OF PERMANENT FUND.

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| Cash of Mrs. Sarah Lowry, per Jennings O'Bannon, | 40 00 |
| Cash of S. H. Butler, two years payments, | 20 00 |
| Cash of Charleston Female Juvenile Missionary and Education Society, | 300 00 |
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Included under head of "Cash.—Permanent Fund," above.

THEOLOGICAL DEPARTMENT.

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| Dec. 38. To balance due the Treasurer, per last report, | 406 49 |
| Jan. 39. To cash paid Wm. E. Bailey, professor's salary for 6 mos. | 300 00 |
| Feb. 15. To cash paid ditto, for W. Smith, Treasurer of Trustees, | 300 00 |
| April. To cash paid Professor Hooper's 1st quarter's salary, for 1839, | 375 00 |
| To cash paid Assistant Professor J. Chaplin, do. | 150 00 |
| Oct. To cash paid Professor Hooper's 2d quarter's do. | 3 75 |
| To cash paid Assistant Professor Chaplin's do. | 150 00 |

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| Dec, To cash paid Professor Hooper's 3d quarter's salary, | 375 |
| To cash paid ditto 4th quarter's do. | 375 |
| To cash paid N. W. Hodges, for teaching theological students, | 100 |
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| 1839, Dec. By interest on bonds and annuities, per statement, | 1157 |
| April 15, By dividends on 42 shares U. S. Bank, to Jan. last, | 336 00 |
| By dividends on 94 shares Planters and Mechanics, do. | 94 00 |
| | <hr/> 430 00 |
| Less, credited in last year's account. | 175 00 |
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| By " from Union Bank, | do. 129 2 |
| By " on 51 shares Commercial Bank, Columbia, | do. 127 5 |
| July, By dividends on 42 shares U. S. Bank, | do. 168 0 |
| By " on 94 shares Planters and Mechanics' Bank, | 94 0 |
| By " on 6 shares Columbia Bridge, | 51 0 |
| Dec. 3, By Savannah River Baptist Association, | 134 8 |
| | <hr/> 2116 8 |
| To balance due the Treasurer, | 789 6 |

GENERAL PURPOSES.

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| 1838, Dec. 10, To balance due Treasurer, per last report, | 22 00 |
| 1839, April 17, To cash paid Wm. Riley, for printing Minutes, | 60 00 |
| Dec. 11, To cash paid W. Smith, Treas'r Trustees, per N. W. Hodges, | 700 00 |
| To cash paid for Treasurer's expenses, postage, &c, | 25 00 |
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| 1839, Dec. 10, By amount charged to Permanent Fund, for this sum, belonging to General Purposes, and carried to stock acc. in 1837, | 722 41 |
| By cash of Joseph Grisham, | 10 00 |
| By cash of Jesse Norman, | 2 00 |
| By cash at this Convention, | 142 93 |
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| By balance on hand, brought down, | 70 28 |

THEOLOGICAL BUILDINGS.

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| 1838, Dec. By balance on hand, per last report, | 743 74 |
| By cash of W. Smith, for I. Nichol's order, | 80 00 |
| By cash of R. M. Willis, (Watkins' sub.) | 20 00 |
| By cash of Jos. A. Lawton, '39, " | 50 00 |
| By cash of Mrs. Buckner, 2d and 3d inst. " | 10 00 |
| By cash of Mrs. E. Stoney, '38 and '39, " | 30 00 |
| By cash of donation, of L. B. Davis, | 5 00 |
| By cash of E. Gifford, credited Classical Department, by mistake, | 5 00 |
| 1839, Dec. By cash of Harriet E. Lawton, (1839,) Watkins' sub. | 10 00 |
| By cash of T. Willingham, '39 and '40, " | 30 00 |
| By cash of Edward H. Peeples, '39 and '40, " | 6 00 |
| By cash of George Rhodes, '39, " | 10 00 |
| By cash of I. M. Sanders, '38 and '39, " | 2 00 |
| By cash of B. H. Brown, '39, " | 20 00 |
| By cash of B. M. Cave, '38 and '39, " | 10 00 |
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By cash collected by Jennings O'Bannon, as follows, to rebuild Furman Institution: Of Jennings J. Wood, \$10; Wm. Rountree, \$5; S. F. Dunbar, \$5; John Nelson, \$1; J. A. Wood, \$2; John Dunbar, \$5; Wm. Ashley, \$5; John J. Boyd, \$10; Chas. Goodwin, \$5; J. Griffin, 50 cts.; James Dunbar, \$5; John C. Truett, \$4; Stephen Newman, \$5; Tho. B. Newman, \$1; Mary M'Elhenny, \$2; Wm. M'Elhenny, \$1; Mary Griffin, 50 cts.; Jno. M. Turner, \$3; M. Dunbar, \$5; Mary Dunbar, \$5; David M. Dunbar, \$25; Cash, \$1; Jos. J. Harley, \$5; Gid. A. Sweat, \$2; F. F. Dunbar, \$2; A. J. Dunbar, \$2; Wm J. Harley, \$5; B. M. Enecks, \$5; Wm. Sanders, \$2; J. S. Darlington, \$2; amounting, in all, to \$131.

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| One half of this, and the other half, to Classical Department, | \$65 50 |
| By cash of H. Z. Ardis, Watkins' sub. | 10 00 |
| By cash of Joseph A. Lawton, " '40, | 50 00 |
| By cash of J. A. E. Chovin, " '39 and '39, | 35 00 |
| By cash of Alex'r J. Lawton, " '40, | 10 00 |
| By cash of Sarah Lawton, " '40 and '41, full, | 20 00 |
| By cash of John R. Bostick, '39, | 5 00 |
| By cash of R. G. Norton, '40, | 5 00 |
| By cash of Josiah D. Johnson, full, | 5 00 |
| By cash of Edward Riley, full, | 15 00 |
| By cash of Joseph J. Lawton, '39, | 10 00 |
| By cash of R. G. Lawrence, '39, | 10 00 |
| By cash of J. M. Loper, '38 and '39, | 20 00 |
| By cash of Fellowship Baptist Church, | 63 00 |
| Interest by W. B. Johnson, | 3 69 |
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| By cash of Edgefield Baptist Association, | 66 69 |
| By cash at this Convention, | 32 41 |
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| 1838, Dec. 10, To cash paid W. Smith, Treas. of Trustees, | 823 74 |
| 1839, Aug. 17, To cash paid do. draft on Dr. Mendenhall, | 170 00 |
| To cash paid carried to Permanent Fund of S. H. Butler, | 10 00 |
| Dec. 11. To cash paid W. Smith, Treasurer of Trustees, | |
| through N. W. Hodges, | 516 76 |
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| Balance due Treasurer, | 119 50 |
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FURMAN INSTITUTION.

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| 1838, Dec. 25, By cash of Edisto Baptist Association, | 17 79 |
| 1839, Dec. By cash of do. | 17 81 |
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| 1839, Dec. 11, To cash paid W. Smith, Treasurer of Trustees, per N. W. Hodges, | 35 60 |
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CLASSICAL DEPARTMENT.

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| 1838, Dec. By balance on hand, last report, | 108 25 |
| 1839, Dec. By cash of Jennings O'Bannon, collected of sundry persons, to rebuild Furman Institution. one half to this department. | |
| See Theological Department for names, | 65 50 |
| By cash of Benj. Jaudon, '39, \$5, | 5 00 |
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CONTRA CREDIT.

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| To cash paid W. Smith, Treas. of Trus. 10th Dec. 1848, | 108 25 | |
| Aug. 17, 'To cash paid do. | 55 00 | |
| To amount of E. Gifford's subscription transferred to Theological buildings, | 5 00 | 168 25 |
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| Balance on hand, | | 10 50 |
| By cash of N. W. Hodges, from sundry persons, | | 60 00 |
| By cash at this Convention, | | 25 50 |
| By cash of Jonathan M. Miller, full, for Hodges' sub., | | 10 00 |
| By am't of M. T. Mendenhall's order to draw on R. C. Nicholson's don. | | 100 00 |
| By cash of N. W. Hodges, to make up interest on money borrowed of Theological Department, | | 39 00 |
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| To interest on loan of \$3500, from Permanent Fund, | 245 00 |
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BAPTIST BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS.

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| 1839, Dec. By cash on hand, per last report, | | 415 80 |
| By cash of Edisto Baptist Association, on 25th Dec. last, as follows: For American and Foreign Bible Soc'ty, | 32 79 | |
| For Burman Bible, | 5 00 | |
| For Foreign Missions, | 17 79 | |
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| By cash of A. Rice, for Foreign Missions, | | 1 00 |
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| To cash remitted Heman Lincoln, Treasurer of Board, | | 472 38 |
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| 1839, Dec. By cash of Edisto Baptist Association, as follows: | | |
| Foreign Missions, | 28 82 | |
| American and Foreign Bible Society, | 30 12 | |
| Mississippi Valley, | 7 88 | |
| | <hr/> | 66 82 |
| Dec. 10, By cash at Convention, for Burman Bible, | 33 91 | |
| By cash at do. Foreign missions, | 239 35 | |
| By cash at do. Burman Missions, | 8 00 | 281 26 |
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| Dec. 10, To cash paid Ira M. Allen, agent Am. and For. Bible Society, | 30 12 |
| Balance on hand, | 317 95 |
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AMERICAN BAPTIST HOME MISSION SOCIETY.

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| 1839, Dec. 10, By cash at Convention, | 5 00 |
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| To cash paid James Huckins, agent, | 5 00 |
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CHARLESTON FEMALE JUVENILE MISSIONARY AND EDUCATION SOCIETY, BEING A PART OF PERMANENT FUND.

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| Amount of fund in December, 1837, | 1500 17 |
| Interest for two years up to 1st January, 1840, | 180 00 |
| This fund is placed in the hands of Convention, as an accumulating fund: no part to be used by Convention until a sufficient sum is raised to support a Scholarship in Furman Theological Institution. | |
| 1839, Dec. 9, By amount of ch'k on Union B'k, credited to Per. Fund, | 300 00 |
| Present amount of fund, | <u>1980 17</u> |

BENEFICIARIES IN THEOLOGY.

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| 1839, Dec. By cash on hand at last report, | 169 00 |
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| Dec. 10, To cash paid Wm. Smith, Treasurer of Trustees, | <u>168 00</u> |
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PROMISCUOUS FUNDS.

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| Purposes of contributions not known, and to be ascertained hereafter: | |
| 1839. By cash of M. T. Mendenhall, paid Dr. Hooper, | 35 52 |
| By cash of Noah Graham, paid do. | 22 75 |
| By cash of James C. Furman, paid do. | 176 00 |
| Dec. 10, By cash of do. sent Treasurer, | 98 50 |
| | <u>332 77</u> |

RECAPITULATION.

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| Permanent Fund, cash on hand, | 836 90 |
| General Purposes, do. | 70 23 |
| Baptist Board of Foreign Missions, | 317 95 |
| Promiscuous Funds, | <u>332 77</u> |
| | 1557 90 |
| Theological Department, due Treasurer, | 789 69 |
| Theological Buildings, do. | <u>119 50</u> |
| | 909 19 |
| Balance of cash on hand, | <u>648 71</u> |

THE FUNDS OF CONVENTION

| | Principal. | Yld'gan'yabt. |
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| Consist of bonds, &c. | 26,426 51 | 1823 00 |
| Note for house and lot in Edgefield, per M. Mim's report, | 260 00 | 17 20 |
| 42 shares United States Bank stock, par value, | 4,200 00 | 336 00 |
| 94 shares Planters and Mechan. do. do. | 2,350 00 | 188 00 |
| 51 shares Commercial Bank do. do. | 1,275 00 | 127 50 |
| 69 shares Union Bank do. do. | 3,450 00 | 241 50 |
| \$236 State 5 per cent. stock, | 286 00 | 14 30 |
| 6 shares Columbia Bridge Company, | 600 00 | 42 00 |
| | <u>38,847 51</u> | <u>2789 50</u> |
| From which deduct Treasurer's note to Union Bank, for \$2500, interest of which is \$175, | | 175 00 |
| | | <u>2614 50</u> |

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| Amount brought over, | | \$2614 50 |
| And add, annual contribution from Charleston Association, | 250 00 | |
| From Savannah River Association, | 134 00 | |
| From Classical Department, for loan of \$3500, | 245 00 | 629 00 |
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| Probable annual income, | | 3243 50 |
| Besides a variety of subscriptions coming due annually, to a considerable amount. | | |
| All which is submitted, | | |
| ALEXANDER J. LAWTON, <i>Treasurer.</i> | | |
| <i>Robertville, S. C. 10th December, 1839.</i> | | |

MONEYS RECEIVED OF N. W. HODGES.

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| Of J. G. Landrum, \$10, J. C. Reedy, \$5, | \$15 00 |
| Stanley Crews, 10, Thos. Coleman, 5, | 15 00 |
| J. W. Coleman, 5, R. White, 5, Richard Coleman, 5, | 15 00 |
| Geo. Shepherd, 5, B. H. Brown, 20, | 25 00 |
| A. Rice, 10, M. Gambrell, 10, Wm. Magee, 5, | 25 00 |
| Lar. Griffin, 5, Thos. Lake, 10, A. Whatly, 15, | 30 00 |
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| | 125 00 |
| Paid Wm. Smith, Treasurer, as per his report, \$70, | 70 00 |
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| | 55 00 |
| For the Classical School—Mrs. J. Blocker, \$5, | 5 00 |
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| Received Dec. 10th, 1829, of N. W. Hodges, this am't., | \$50 00 |
| ALEX'R. J. LAWTON, <i>Treasurer of Convention.</i> | |

MONEYS

SENT UP BY VARIOUS BODIES AND INDIVIDUALS FOR THE CONVENTION.

| Names of Contributors. | Department. | Am. and F. B. Soc. | Theological Department. | Classical Department. | Missions. | Foreign Missions. | Home Missions. | Purposes. | General. | Am. Ho. Mis. | Burman Bible. | Total. |
|---|-------------|--------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------|-----------|-------------------|----------------|-----------|----------|--------------|---------------|--------|
| Fellowship Church..... | 5 50 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 5 50 |
| Peniel Missionary Society..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 15 50 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 15 50 |
| Archibald Armstrong..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 2 00 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 2 00 |
| H. Rice..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 3 00 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 3 00 |
| Anderson District Missionary Society..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 52 50 | 5 00 | 8 00 | 51 50 | ..... | ..... | 3 00 | 120 00 |
| Saluda Association..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 20 00 | ..... | ..... | 20 00 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 40 00 |
| Meredith Brock..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 1 00 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 1 00 |
| Mount Zion Church..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 26 25 | ..... | 26 25 |
| Tyger River Association..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 65 41 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 65 41 |
| Buffalo Church, (and one gold ring)... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 32 87 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 32 87 |
| Crooked Run Church..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 12 00 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 12 00 |
| Fairfield Church..... | 9 66 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 5 16 | ..... | ..... | 4 50 | ..... | ..... | 1 66 | 21 00 |
| Collection on Sabbath..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 48 41 | ..... | ..... | 48 43 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 96 83 |
| Monticello Female Benevolent Society | 20 00 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 20 00 |
| Little River Church..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 3 00 | 3 00 |
| | 25 50 | 9 66 | ..... | ..... | 239 35 | 5 00 | 8 60 | 142 93 | ..... | 33 91 | ..... | 464 36 |

N. B. In reply to an inquiry from the Charleston Female Juvenile Missionary Society, the Committee on Accounts would state that it will require \$2200, for the interest thereof to constitute a sum large enough to defray the expenses of a Scholarship.

GEORGE RHODES, *Chairman of Committee.*

MINUTES

Of the Board of Trustees of the Furman Institution.

FURMAN INSTITUTION, JULY, 1839.

1. Br. Chiles having failed to attend, the introductory sermon was preached by Br. James Du Pre. After prayer by Br. W. B. Johnson, the following members were found to be present, viz. Davis, Smith, Johnson, Hodges, O'Neill, W. E. Bailey, Mobley, and J. C. Furman.

2. Read minutes of last meeting.

3. *Resolved*, That Tuesday be appointed for the examination of the Classical Department, and that a committee of four be appointed to attend the examination.

4. The committee to arrange the order of preaching, were appointed to consist of the pastor and deacons of the Fairfield church, and Br. Smith.

5. Brethren present were invited to seats with the Board.

6. The Executive Committee reported in part upon the appointment of an assistant instructor in the Theological Department. The report concurred in. It was *Resolved*, That a committee be appointed to confer with Br. Chaplin, in order to ascertain whether his services can be obtained in future, in accordance with the recommendation of the report.

7. The report of Executive Committee on the erection of out buildings on the premises of the Senior Professor, &c. was received, and concurred in.

8. The Executive Committee made their general report. The report being taken up, it was *Resolved*, To continue the Classical Department, the Principal, and the Steward and Farmer, having expressed their disposition to retain their offices. It was further *Resolved*, That the services of slaves in the farm be hereafter dispensed with, except those of a wagoner, and that it be carried on by students, with the aid of one white man to be hired by the steward. It was further *Resolved*, That our ministering brethren throughout the State be requested to take up collections for the payment of the debt of the Classical Department, and that the President especially be requested to attend, as far as he can, the different Associations, and to appeal to the persons attending them for aid in this behalf. It was further *Resolved*, To attempt to raise, by subscriptions of one hundred dollars, by one hundred persons, the sum of \$10,000, for paying the debt, and completing the establishment of the Classical Department.

9. The Executive Committee were authorized to fit up the second story of the classical building, for the use of theological students; and in case this apartment be afterwards needed for the use of the classical students, that the expense of these preparations be refunded by the Classical Department, to be employed in providing other accommodations for theological students.

10. *Resolved*, That the first article of the constitution be amended, so as to designate the Theological Department, the Theological Seminary; and the English and Classical Department, the English and Classical School.

11. The Committee of Examination for the Classical School, was appointed to consist of Brethren Reynolds, Hooper, Chaplin and Bailey.

Adjourned to meet at 9 o'clock on Monday morning.

12. *Monday Morning*.—Board met; prayer by Br. N. Graham. Present, Davis, Smith, Hodges, W. E. Bailey, Mobley and J. C. Furman.

13. *Resolved*, That the Executive Committee be authorized to appoint an agent to take up new, and collect old subscriptions—his remuneration to be fixed at the discretion of the Executive Committee.

14. The Executive Committee were added to the Committee of Examination for the Classical School.

15. *Resolved*, To reconsider the resolution of yesterday, respecting the raising of \$10,000 for the Classical Department. It was *Resolved*, To reduce the number of subscriptions from one hundred to sixty, so as to raise \$6,000, the amount of the debt of that department. It was further *Resolved*, To attempt the raising of \$4,000, for the erection of a second Professor's house, by one hundred subscriptions of twenty dollars for two years; the first sum to be paid on the 1st January, 1840, and the second on the 1st January, 1841.

16. *Resolved*, That the Committee of Examination be authorized to publish such an account of the state of the Classical School, (and in such manner) as they shall deem expedient.

17. Professor Hooper reported to the Board, on the state of the Theological Seminary.

18. The committee appointed to confer with Mr. Chaplin, reported that he declines a future appointment, on account of the failure of his health.

19. Attended an examination of the Theological Students, which exhibited a highly creditable proficiency in the studies they have been pursuing. Adjourned.

J. C. FURMAN, *Secretary*.

ROBERTVILLE, DEC. 7, 1839.

1. The Board met. Present, J. Davis, N. W. Hodges, W. B. Johnson, R. Fuller, W. E. Bailey, A. J. Lawton, A. Rice and J. M. Chiles.

2. After prayer by Br. Fuller, proceeded to business. The secretary being absent, J. M. Chiles was requested to serve.

3. Read the minutes of July.

4. The Executive Committee read their several reports, viz:

No. 1.—Exhibiting the losses and profits of the Steward's and Farmer's Department.

No. 2.—On Debts due to and by the Classical School of the Furman Institution.

No. 3.—Referring to matters in connexion with the Theological Seminary. All of which were received, and ordered to be reported to the Convention.

5. The treasurer being absent, his report was read by N. W. Hodges, and referred to the Executive Committee.

6. Br. Davis presented a report in reference to Moneys collected, and yet due upon the land subscription.

7. Br. Hodges, the Principal of the Classical School, reported that there were 31 or 32 students in that department during the first session, and 36 during the last. He further reported satisfactorily in reference to that department.

Adjourned to meet at 9 o'clock Monday morning.

8. *Monday Morning*.—The Board met. Eight members present, viz. Davis, Hodges, Johnson, Fuller, Bailey, A. J. Lawton, A. Rice and Chiles.

9. Professor Hooper reported in reference to the Theological Seminary. There were seven students in that department. He also reported the order of their studies, and spoke favorably of their progress.

10. *Resolved*, That the Board recommend to the Convention, the continuance of the Classical School and Theological Seminary.

11. Agreed to report to the Convention.

Adjourned *sine die*.

J. M. CHILES, *Secretary Pro. Tem.*

(The Board of Trustees, as appointed by the Convention during its session at Robertville, in December, 1839, consisted of the following per-

sons, viz. J. Davis, J. Grisham, J. C. Furman, W. Smith, C. Entzminger, W. B. Johnson, R. Furman, N. W. Hodges, J. O. B. Dargan, J. Culpeper, Junr. J. B. O'Neill, A. J. Lawton, W. T. Brantly, W. E. Bailey, J. M. Chiles, G. K. Griffin, J. A. Lawton, Joseph Patterson, Y. J. Harrington, Z. Watkins, M. Mims, R. Fuller, J. K. McIver, J. Mobley, M. T. Mendenhall, A. Rice, J. M. Roberts, J. Du Pre.)

ROBERTVILLE, DEC. 10, 1839.

1. The Board of Trustees recently appointed by the Convention met this evening. Present, J. Davis, W. B. Johnson, N. W. Hodges, R. Fuller, Joseph A. Lawton, A. J. Lawton, W. E. Bailey, J. O. B. Dargan, J. Du Pre, and Richard Furman.

2. Proceeded to the election of officers. J. Davis was elected President, R. Fuller Vice President, R. Furman Secretary, and W. Smith Treasurer.

3. Read the minutes of last meeting.

4. *Resolved*, That as the report of the Auditing Committee of last year is unprepared, the matter be again referred to the same committee.

5. The resignation of Professor Hooper was received and accepted.

6. Elected J. L. Reynolds Senior Theological Professor.

Adjourned to meet to-night at Br. Bostick's.

7. *Tuesday Night*.—The Board met, and proceeded to business.

8. Appointed Br. Gibson Agent, to receive the salary of \$600. The President and Br. Hodges, in case of his refusing the appointment, to procure a substitute.

9. *Resolved*, That the Agent be instructed to obtain cash for paying the debts of the Classical School, and for the erection of a Professor's house. Also, to collect such subscriptions as are yet unpaid.

10. *Resolved*, That it be left to the discretion of Br. Hodges, whether to continue the manual labour system in the Classical School.

11. *Resolved*, That Brethren Davis, Mobley, Smith, and Jacob Gibson, constitute the Executive Committee.

12. *Resolved*, That the Executive Committee be authorized to sell all the property of the institution, such as horses, stock, provisions, and all moveables, reserving two mules, an ox-cart, and oxen, together with provender for their sustenance; and the steward's house be let to some one who would board at the present rates, on such terms as they think best.

13. *Resolved*, That all boarders in the Classical School, be required to board at the steward's hall; and that the Faculty and Executive Committee be requested to visit it from time to time, and see that matters are properly conducted.

14. *Resolved*, That the Executive Committee be authorized to rent the lands not required for the students, on the most advantageous terms, under certain restrictions as to cultivation, so that the land might be improved, not exhausted; and such arrangements as that the fencing might be kept in good repair.

15. Authorized the Principal to superintend the farm, and to receive for his superintendence the sum of \$300, if the farm yields so much.

16. *Resolved*, That the semi-annual meeting of the Trustees take place at the Institution, on the Saturday before the first Sunday in July; and that the examination commence on Monday following.

17. *Resolved*, That it is the duty of the Theological Professors to see that the Theological Students attend morning and evening prayers.

18. *Resolved*, That the students who occupy the cabins, pay one dollar per session for room rent; and that the expense of furnishing fire-wood for the students, be assessed by the Principal upon the whole school.

Adjourned.

R. FURMAN, *Secretary*.

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N. B.—The annual meeting of the Board of Trustees will be held at Sumterville, on Friday the day before the meeting of the Convention, at 12 o'clock.